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New Community Collaborative Commission ready for important work on policing policy

Joint news conference set for Monday to announce mission and its work, including steps to formulate city's first co-created community oriented policing policy

The diverse **Community Collaborative Commission** has officially begun its work, including to help create a comprehensive community oriented policing policy for the City of Milwaukee, and its groundbreaking efforts will be the topic of a news conference at City Hall on **Monday, October 12**.

Nate Hamilton, chair of the Community Collaborative Commission (CCC), will host the news conference with other members of the CCC at 2 p.m. Monday outside in the archway at City Hall, 200 E. Wells St. Common Council President Cavalier Johnson, Alderman Ashanti Hamilton, and representatives of the Milwaukee Police Department and the Fire and Police Commission are also expected to participate.

Masks will be required and physical/social distancing will be practiced at the news conference.

Mr. Hamilton said he looks forward to updating the community on the "commitment surrounding the Community Collaborative Commission's duties and responsibilities and the co creation of the community oriented policing policy" with the MPD.

"It's vitally important that the community be kept informed about the Commission's efforts and its intentions of working collaboratively with the Milwaukee Police Department to bring forth the best possible community oriented policing policy for the citizens of the City of Milwaukee," Mr. Hamilton said.

The CCC was created to provide a forum for and solicit community input regarding policing and law enforcement policies, procedures, and practices in Milwaukee. The commission is focusing specifically on the treatment of members of minority, LGBTQ, disability, and other historically underserved and underrepresented communities. The CCC's responsibilities seek to improve trust between law enforcement and city residents by asking for community input and concerns on Police Department operations, policies, and procedures, conducting an annual survey of Milwaukee residents that belong to communities that are statistically more likely to interact with members of the Police Department, identifying and evaluating the effectiveness of progressive policing strategies deployed in other cities, and presenting quarterly updates to the Common Council.